[CHAPTER 271]

AN ACT

October 21, 1943 [S. 1350] [Public Law 167]

To establish the grades of commissioned warrant officer and warrant officer in the United States Marine Corps, and for other purposes.

Marine Corps, warrant officers. Establishment of certain grades.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the grades of chief marine gunner, chief quartermaster clerk, chief pay clerk, marine gunner, quartermaster clerk, and pay clerk in the United States Marine Corps are abolished, and in lieu thereof there are hereby established the commissioned warrant and warrant grades of commissioned warrant officer and warrant officer.

"Commissioned warrant officers.

SEC. 2. From and after the approval of this Act, and without the issuance of new commissions or warrants, all Marine Corps personnel in the commissioned warrant grades of chief marine gunner, chief quartermaster clerk, and chief pay clerk shall be known and entered upon the Naval Register as "commissioned warrant officers", and all Marine Corps personnel in the warrant grades of marine gunner, quartermaster clerk, and pay clerk shall be known and entered upon the Naval Register as "warrant officers".

"Warrant officers," Status, pay, etc.

SEC. 3. Nothing contained in this Act shall change or modify in any respect the permanent or temporary status of any officer, nor the rank, precedence, rights, benefits, privileges, pay, allowances, or

emoluments to which he is, or may hereafter be, entitled.

Approved October 21, 1943.

[CHAPTER 273]

AN ACT

October 23, 1943 [H. R. 3029] [Public Law 168]

To authorize the adoption of a report relating to seepage and drainage damages on the Illinois River, Illinois,

Illinois River, Ill. Post, p. 631.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following report is hereby adopted and authorized to be prosecuted under the direction of the Secretary of War and supervision of the Chief of Enginers:

Illinois River, Illinois; in accordance with the report submitted in House Document Numbered 711, Seventy-seventh Congress, and subject to the conditions set forth in said document.

Approved October 23, 1943.

[CHAPTER 275]

AN ACT

To amend section 12 of the Naval Aviation Cadet Act of 1942.

October 25, 1943 [H. R. 3230] [Public Law 169]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 12 of the Aviation Cadet Act of 1942 (56 Stat. 738, 34 U. S. C. 850k) is hereby amended by inserting after the comma following the word "Navy", in line 6, the following: "or, if no beneficiary has been specially designated, the widow of such officer, and if there be no widow, his child or children, and if there be neither widow nor child, the representative of the officer's estate,".

SEC. 2. This Act shall be effective from August 4, 1942.

Approved October 25, 1943.

Naval Aviation Cadet Act of 1942, amendment. 34 U. S. C., Supp. II, § 850k. Payment on death of officer.